

# Jingyi Wu

Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method  
The London School of Economics and Political Science  
Houghton Street  
London WC2A 2AE

Email: [Jingyi.Wu@lse.ac.uk](mailto:Jingyi.Wu@lse.ac.uk)  
Website: <https://jingyiwu.org>  
ORCID: 0000-0001-7198-851X  
Updated: August 2024

## Area of Specialization

Epistemology (Social, Formal, and Feminist), Philosophy of Physics

## Area of Competence

Asian Diasporic Philosophy, Philosophy of the Social Sciences, Values in Science, Philosophy of Race

## Academic Appointment

**Assistant Professor**, Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method, *The London School of Economics and Political Science*, September 2023-

## Education

**Ph.D.** Philosophy (LPS), *University of California, Irvine*, 2023.

Graduate Emphases in Physics; Race and Justice Studies.

Advisors: Cailin O'Connor and James Weatherall

Dissertation: "Those Who Know Better"

**M.A.** Social Science, Institute for Mathematical Behavioral Sciences, *University of California, Irvine*, 2021.

**M.A. Student** Logic and Philosophy of Science, *Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy* 2017-2018.

**B.A.** Philosophy and Mathematics, *Middlebury College*, 2017.

Honors: *Summa Cum Laude*; *Phi Beta Kappa*; Highest Honors in Philosophy; Kellogg Fellowship in Humanistic Inquiry; John T. Andrews Memorial Prize in Philosophy 2017.

Philosophy honors thesis: "Towards Interactive Objectivity in Social Science."

Mathematics thesis: "Geometry of Spacetime."

## Publications

### Peer Reviewed Articles

- A8 **Jingyi Wu** and James Weatherall. [Between a Stone and a Hausdorff Space](#). *The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, Forthcoming
- A7 **Jingyi Wu**. [Better than Best: Epistemic Landscapes and Diversity of Practice in Science](#). *Philosophy of Science*, 2023
- A6 **Jingyi Wu**. [Epistemic Advantage on the Margin: A Network Standpoint Epistemology](#). *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 2022 (Early View)/2023 (Print)
  - Among the top 10 most cited articles published in PPR in 2022 and 2023.
  - Among the most downloaded articles (top 10%) published in PPR in 2022.
- A5 **Jingyi Wu**, Cailin O'Connor, and Paul E. Smaldino. [The Cultural Evolution of Science](#). In *The Oxford Handbook of Cultural Evolution*. Jeremy Kendal, Rachel Kendal, and Jamshid Tehrani (Eds.). Oxford University Press, 2023
- A4 (Contributing author. With Peter Galison, Juliusz Doboszewski, Jamee Elder, Niels C. M. Martens et al.) [The Next Generation Event Horizon Telescope Collaboration: History, Philosophy, and Culture](#). *Galaxies*, 2023

- A3 **Jingyi Wu** and Cailin O'Connor. *How Should We Promote Transient Diversity in Science?*. *Synthese*, 2023
- A2 **Jingyi Wu**. *Explaining Universality: Infinite Limit Systems in the Renormalization Group Method*. *Synthese*, 199(5):14897–14930, 2021  
 -Winner of the Hanneke Janssen Memorial Prize 2021.  
 -Winner of the Justine Lambert Prize 2022.
- A1 Stephen Abbott and **Jingyi Wu**. A Bohr Mollerup Theorem for Interpolating the Triangular Numbers. *Journal of Convex Analysis*, 25(1):65–73, 2018

## Works in Progress

- W1 “Withholding Knowledge.” [draft available]
- W2 “Space, Time, and Geometry from Newton to Einstein, feat. Maxwell” (with James Weatherall). [book in preparation, draft available]
- W3 “Departmental Climate and Community” (with Alison K. McConwell, Magdalena T. Bogacz, Char Brecevic, Matthew H. Haber, and Sarah M. Roe). [R&R, draft available]
- W4 “Where Inattention Pays” (with Liam Kofi Bright). [in preparation]
- W5 “On the Possibility of Self-Gaslighting” (with Eleanor March) [in preparation]
- W6 “Power Asymmetries in Group Inquiry.” (with Sina Fazelpour and Hannah Rubin) [in preparation]
- W7 “Rigor Capture.” [in preparation]
- W8 “Why Scientists Should not Show and Tell” (with Remco Heesen). [in preparation]

## Talks

### Invited Talks

- IT21 Title TBD. Visiting Speaker Research Seminar. University of Bristol, Bristol, Fall 2024. [Scheduled]
- IT20 “Between a Stone and a Hausdorff Space.” Oxford Thursday Philosophy of Physics Research Seminar. University of Oxford, Oxford, May 2024. [Scheduled]
- IT19 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” Fifth Taiwan Philosophical Logic Colloquium: Pathways of Epistemological Inquiry. National Taiwan University, Taipei, December 2023 (Online).
- IT18 “Five Faces of Epistemic Oppression.” Workshop on “Standpoint Theory: Formation, Contestation, Legacies.” University of British Columbia, Vancouver, November 2023.
- IT17 “Where Inattention Pays.” History and Philosophy of Science Departmental Seminar, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, November 2023. (based on joint work with Liam Kofi Bright)
- IT16 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” MAP Chapter, University of Missouri, Columbia, October 2023.
- IT15 “Where Inattention Pays.” Workshop on Formal and Experimental Philosophy (FAX) 3, University of Missouri, Columbia, October 2023. (based on joint work with Liam Kofi Bright)
- IT14 “Where Inattention Pays.” Colloquium in Logic and Philosophy of Science, Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, Munich, October 2023. (based on joint work with Liam Kofi Bright)
- IT13 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” University of Washington, Seattle, May 2023.
- IT12 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” Pittsburgh Formal Epistemology Workshop, Pittsburgh, March 2023 (Online).
- IT11 “Better than Best: Epistemic Landscapes and Diversity of Practice in Science.” Workshop on Agent-based Modeling of Epistemic Communities, Bochum, February 2023 (Online).
- IT10 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” University of York, York, February 2023.
- IT9 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” London School of Economics, London, February 2023.
- IT8 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” Boston University, Boston, February 2023.

- IT7 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, February 2023.
- IT6 “Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks.” California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, January 2023.
- IT5 “Withholding Knowledge.” Seminar on Formal and Social Epistemology, Sorbonne Université, Paris, November 2022 (Online).
- IT4 “Withholding Knowledge.” University of York, York, November 2022 (Online).
- IT3 “Explaining Universality: Infinite Limit Systems in the Renormalization Group Method.” Southern Californian Philosophy of Physics Group, Irvine, October 2022.
- IT2 “Between a Stone and a Hausdorff Space.” Jagiellonian University, Kraków, June 2022. (based on joint work with James Weatherall)
- IT1 “Explaining Universality: Infinite Limit Systems in the Renormalization Group Method.” New Directions in the Foundations of Physics, Viterbo, May 2022.

### **Refereed Talks**

- RT9 “Power Asymmetry in Group Inquiry” (with Sina Fazelpour and Hannah Rubin). Eighth Annual Meeting of the PPE Society, New Orleans, November 2024.
- RT8 “Why Scientists Should not Show and Tell” (with Remco Heesen). Philosophy of Science Association Biennial Meeting, New Orleans, November 2024.
- RT7 “Rigor Capture.” First Feminist Philosophy of Physics Workshop, Ann Arbor, June 2024.
- RT6 “Better than Best: Epistemic Landscapes and Diversity of Practice in Science.” European Philosophy of Science Association Meeting, Belgrade, September 2023.
- RT5 “Better than Best: Epistemic Landscapes and Diversity of Practice in Science.” The International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science and Technology, Buenos Aires, July 2023.
- RT4 “Better than Best: Epistemic Landscapes and Diversity of Practice in Science.” Philosophy of Science Association Biennial Meeting, Pittsburgh, November 2022.
- RT3 “Epistemic Advantage on the Margin: A Network Standpoint Epistemology.” Philosophy of Science Association Biennial Meeting, Baltimore, November 2021.
- RT2 “Between a Stone and a Hausdorff Space.” Foundations of Physics, Paris, October 2021. (based on joint work with James Weatherall)
- RT1 “Explaining Universality: Infinite Limit Systems in the Renormalization Group Method.” Foundations of Physics, Utrecht, July 2018.

### **Public Talk**

- PT1 “Risk and Decision Modeling” (with James Weatherall), NSF Convergence Accelerator Expo, July 2022.

### **Other Conference Participation**

Invited Discussant, New Directions in the Foundations of Physics, Logar Valley, May 2024.  
 PSA Scholar Representative, Intention Foundry Workshop Series on Advancing Equity, Inclusion, and Justice Within the Academy, American Council on Learned Societies, March and June 2023.  
 Invited Discussant, New Directions in the Foundations of Physics, Viterbo, May 2023.  
 Panelist, Special Panel on “Departmental Climate & Community”, PSA2022, November 2022.  
 Invited Poster, “Epistemic Advantage on the Margin,” Trust, Distrust, and Forgiveness, UC Irvine, September 2022.  
 Invited Discussant, Institutions and the Scientific Research Agenda, The Center for Philosophy of Science, Pittsburgh, April 2022.  
 Panelist, MAP Session on “Countering Bullying, Harrassment, and Microaggressions”, Eastern APA, January 2021 (Online).  
*-Panel contribution titled “Microaggressions (or, Racialized Epistemic Violence) in Progressive Spaces.”*

Discussant, Foundations of Cosmology and Quantum Gravity, NYU Abu Dhabi, January 2020.

## Awards, Grants, and Recognition

Fulcrum Grant by FQxI, for “First Feminist Philosophy of Physics Workshop,” \$5,000, 2024  
Blaumann Foundation Research Grant, for “First Feminist Philosophy of Physics Workshop,” €2,000, 2023-2024  
Order of Merit Award for Outstanding Scholarship, School of Social Science, UC Irvine, 2023.  
Award for Contributions to Inclusion and Diversity, Logic and Philosophy of Science, UC Irvine, 2023  
Social Science Merit Fellowship, School of Social Science, UC Irvine, 2018-2024.  
Summer Inclusive Excellence Fellowship, UC Irvine, \$5,000, 2022.  
Justine Lambert Prize, UC Irvine, 2022.  
*-University-wide prize for the best paper by a graduate student on the foundations of science.*  
UCHRI Multicampus Graduate Student Working Group Grant: Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) Californian Regional Consortium (PI; with Graduate Student Co-PI Milana Kostic and Faculty PI Cailin O’Connor), \$3,200, 2021-2023.  
Hanneke Janssen Memorial Prize, 2021.  
*-International prize for the best masters-level work in history and philosophy of physics.*  
Summer Inclusive Excellence Grant, UC Irvine, \$5,000, 2021.  
Provost Ph.D. Fellowship, UC Irvine, \$20,000, 2018-2021.  
*-Selective recruitment fellowship for top 5% of admitted doctoral students.*  
Inclusive Excellence Ambassador Fellowship, UC Irvine, \$5,000, 2020.  
Graduate Dean’s Recruitment Fellowship, UC Irvine, \$10,000, 2018.  
Study Scholarship at LMU Munich, Federal State of Bavaria, €6,500, 2018. (partially declined)  
GREAT University of Cambridge Scholarship, Cambridge Trust & British Council, £20,000, 2018. (declined)  
Maintenance Award for MPhil in HPS, University of Cambridge, £6,500, 2018. (declined)

## Service

### Professional Positions

**Member**, UPSS (Underrepresented Philosophy of Science Scholars) Committee, Philosophy of Science Association, April 2022- Present.  
**Co-director**, MAP (Minorities and Philosophy) International, 2020-2021.  
**International Organizer**, MAP International, 2018-2020.

### Conference and Workshop Organizing

**Organizing Committee Co-chair, Program Committee Co-Chair**, First Feminist Philosophy of Physics Workshop, Ann Arbor, June 2024.  
**Poster Committee Member**, Philosophy of Science Association Biennial Meeting, New Orleans, November 2024.  
**Program Committee Member**, Workshop on “Computational Models in Social Epistemology,” Bochum, December 2023.  
**Co-organizer**, Workshop on “Conceptual and Mathematical Foundations of Science,” Irvine, November 2023.  
**Co-founder, Co-organizer and Presenter** (2019), **Advisor and Presenter** (2020), **Panelist** (2021), **Co-organizer and Facilitator** (2022), Wonder Philosophy (Workshop on Discovering Entrance Requirements in Philosophy), UC Irvine.  
**Organizer**, Symposium on “The Science of Diversity and Diversity in Science,” PSA2022, Pittsburgh, November 2022.  
**Co-organizer**, Conference on “Values, Fairness, and Machine Learning,” UC Irvine, June 2022.

**Co-organizer and Co-facilitator**, Workshop on “Using Public Philosophy to Increase Diversity and Inclusion,” Public Philosophy Network Conference, October 2021 (Online).

**Organizer and Chair**, MAP Special Session on “Race and Racial Justice,” PSA2021, Baltimore, November 2021.

**Co-organizer**, MAP Session on “Public Philosophy and Activism,” Central APA, February 2021 (Online).

**Co-organizer**, MAP Session on “Countering Bullying, Harrassment, and Microaggressions,” Eastern APA, January 2021 (Online).

**Co-organizer**, Workshop on “Achieving Racial Equity in Postsecondary Education: Implications for the Social Sciences,” School of Social Sciences, UC Irvine, December 2020 (Online).

**Co-organizer**, Conference on “Women and Academia,” UC Irvine, May 2019.

**Co-organizer and Chair**, MAP Session on “Creating Inclusive Spaces,” Pacific APA, April 2019.

**Co-organizer and Chair**, MAP Session on “Skill Building & Improving the Profession,” Eastern APA, January 2019.

## University Service

**Program Director**, MSc Degree in Philosophy of Economics and the Social Sciences, LSE, Autumn 2024-

**Chair**, LPS Climate Committee, Logic and Philosophy of Science, UC Irvine, 2021-2022.

**Panelist**, Graduate Student Panel, LPS Summer Diversity Program, UC Irvine, August 2022.

**Member**, Graduate Student Awards Committee, Logic and Philosophy of Science, UC Irvine, 2021, 2022.

**Member**, LPS Climate Committee, Logic and Philosophy of Science, UC Irvine, 2020-2021.

**Designer and Convener**, LPS Climate Committee, Logic and Philosophy of Science, UC Irvine, 2020.

**Student Representative**, DECADE (Diverse Educational Community and Doctoral Experience), UC Irvine, 2019-2021.

**Co-founder and Organizer**, MAP MCMP, 2018.

**Referee** for *Philosophy of Science*, *British Journal for Philosophy of Science*, *Synthese*, *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science*, *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, *Ergo*, *AAPT Studies in Pedagogy* (Multiple times for most)

## Teaching Employment

### London School of Economics

#### Teacher Responsible

Masters Dissertation Seminar in Philosophy of Economics and the Social Sciences, Autumn 2024

Philosophy of Gender and Race, Winter 2024, Winter 2025

Research Seminar on Social Epistemology, Autumn 2023

#### Lecturer

The Big Questions: An Introduction to Philosophy, Winter 2025

Philosophy of Science, Autumn 2024

### UC Irvine

#### Instructor of Record

Asian American Philosophy, Summer Session I, 2022.

### Elsewhere

#### Instructor of Record

Computational Models of Diversity and Inequity, Summer 2024m Summer School for Widening Participation at the Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy.

#### **Instructor of Record**

Philosophy of Space and Time, Summer 2021, AcadeMe China.

## **Research Employment and Collaborations**

**Member**, Collaboration Focus Group & Responsible Siting Focus Group, Next Generation Event Horizon Telescope (ngEHT) Project, June 2022-Present.

**Graduate Student Researcher**, National Science Foundation Convergence Accelerator Award #2137567, “An Algorithmic Observatory to Address Financial Misinformation and Disinformation in Minoritized Communities” (PI Maurer, Co-PIs Crooks, Harding, Lockwood, Nelms, and Weatherall), Fall 2021, Winter, 2022, Spring 2022, Summer 2022.

*-Served on the six-person leadership team for this multidisciplinary project;*

*-Served on the five-person pitch team in June 2022.*

**Graduate Student Researcher**, John Templeton Foundation Grant #61048, “New Directions in Philosophy of Cosmology” (Co-PIs Smeenk and Weatherall). Fall 2019, Winter 2020, Spring 2020, Winter 2021.

**Graduate Student Researcher**, National Science Foundation Grant #1922424, “Consensus, Democracy, and the Public Understanding of Science,” (Co-PIs O’Connor and Weatherall). Fall 2020, Summer 2021.

## **Selected Public Philosophy**

Title TBD, Invited Contribution to “New Work in Philosophy” Substack. 2023 [Expected]

**Jingyi Wu**, “[Modeling Injustice in Epistemic Networks](#),” Invited Symposium to The Brains Blog. Comments by Kevin Zollman. February 2023.

**Jingyi Wu**, “[How Does Risk Impact Personal Financial Decisions?](#),” Community Credit, June 2022. Elise Woodard, Carolina Flores, Milana Kostic, Angela Sun, and **Jingyi Wu**, “[Setting Boundaries: Personal & Professional](#),” Philosophers’ Cocoon, May 2020.

Helen Meskhidze and **Jingyi Wu**, “[Does Inflation Need Justification?](#),” New Directions in the Philosophy of Cosmology Blog, March 2020.

**Jingyi Wu** and Helen Meskhidze, “[Spacetime Emerged?](#),” New Directions in the Philosophy of Cosmology Blog, February 2020.

Carolina Flores, Elise Woodard, **Jingyi Wu**, and Keyvan Shafiei, “[Report on Service Work Distribution and Compensation Among Graduate Students](#),” Minorities and Philosophy, October 2019.

Carolina Flores, Keyvan Shafiei, Elise Woodard, and **Jingyi Wu**, “[MAP Eastern APA Session: Skill-Building & Improving the Profession](#),” Blog of the APA, April 2019.

## **Additional Educational and Professional Training**

### **Training**

Workshop on “Racially Inclusive Practice in Assessment: Embedding measurably inclusive practice into assessment,” LSE, June 2024.

Bystander Intervention Training for People Experiencing Anti-Asian or Asian American Harassment, Right to Be (formerly Hollaback!), April 2021.

Facilitating Restorative Dialogues, The California Conference for Equality and Justice, March 2021. Certificate in Public Speaking, UC Irvine, Fall 2020 (Quarter-long Program).

### **Summer Schools and Visiting Positions**

Summer School on the Ethics of Attention, Central European University, Budapest, July 2024

Masterclass with Sally Haslanger, LMU Munich, July 2018.

XXI Summer School in Philosophy of Physics (topic: quantum field theory), Urbino, June 2018.

Visiting Student, Logic and Philosophy of Science Department, UC Irvine, March-April 2017.

Summer School for Female Students (stream: spacetime structures with James Weatherall), Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, Munich, July 2016.

Visiting Student, Columbia College, Columbia University, January-May 2016.